



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 28, 2004

H.R. 2619 **Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act of 2004**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 19, 2004

SUMMARY

H.R. 2619 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire land for inclusion in the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge in Hawaii. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2619 would cost \$6 million in 2005 and \$18 million over the next five years, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 2619 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2619 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Estimated Authorization Level	6	12	*	*	*
Estimated Outlays	6	12	*	*	*

NOTE: * = less than \$500,000.

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

H.R. 2619 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire, by purchase or donation, five parcels of privately owned property for inclusion in the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge in Hawaii. Based on information from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, CBO estimates that implementing this legislation would cost \$18 million over the next two years and less than \$500,000 annually thereafter, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Specifically, we estimate that the agency would spend \$6 million in 2005 and \$11 million in 2006 to acquire land under the bill. We also estimate that the agency's administrative costs to expand the boundary of the refuge would total \$250,000 over the 2005-2006 period, and that ongoing costs to manage the expanded area and make payments to Kauai County under the Refuge Revenue Sharing Act would cost less than \$500,000 annually, starting in 2005.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 2619 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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